

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. XVI TO COMPLY  
WITH RECENT NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, recent changes to the National Flood Insurance Program Regulations have necessitated amendments to the Town Ordinance establishing a flood plain district and regulating construction standards within that district in order for the Town to remain in the National Flood Insurance Program,

NOW, THEREFORE, it is ordained and enacted by the Town Council of the Town of Camden that Ordinance No. XVI shall be, and hereby is, amended as follows:

ONE: A. ARTICLE II shall be amended by deleting in its entirety the term and definition for Mobile Home and inserting in lieu thereof the following new term and definition:

Manufactured Home

A structure, transportable in one or more sections, which is built on a permanent chassis and is designed for use with or without a permanent foundation when attached to the required utilities. The term "manufactured home" does not include a recreational vehicle.

B. ARTICLE II shall be further amended by deleting in its entirety the term and definition for Mobile Home Park or Subdivision and inserting in lieu thereof the following new term and definition:

Manufactured Home Park or Subdivision

A parcel (or continuous parcels) of land divided into two or more manufactured home lots for rent or sale.

TWO: ARTICLE III, Section 3.1 shall be amended by deleting the following words, "...as prepared by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Federal Insurance Administration.", and inserting in lieu thereof, "...as prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration."

THREE: A. ARTICLE V, Section 5.1 1) shall be amended by adding after the words, "...lateral movement.", the following phrase, "...lateral movement of the structure resulting from hydrodynamic and hydrostatic loads, including the effects of buoyancy."

B. ARTICLE V, Section 5.1 shall be further amended by adding a new paragraph 4) following paragraph 3) which reads "constructed by methods and practices that minimize flood damage.", said new paragraph 4) to read as follows:

- 4) to be constructed with electrical heating, ventilation, plumbing, and air conditioning equipment and other service facilities that are designed and/or located so as to prevent water from entering or accumulating within the components during conditions of flooding.

C. ARTICLE V, Section 5.1 shall be further amended by adding the following language after the existing paragraph entitled Basements and Lowest Floors:

For all new construction and substantial improvements, those fully enclosed areas below the lowest floor that are usable solely for parking of vehicles, building access or storage in an area other than a basement and which are subject to flooding shall be designed to automatically equalize hydrostatic flood forces on exterior walls by allowing for entry and exit of floodwaters. Designs for meeting this requirement must either be certified by a registered professional engineer or architect or meet or exceed the following minimum criteria:

- 1) A minimum of two openings having a total net area of not less than one square inch for every square foot of enclosed area subject to flooding shall be provided.
- 2) The bottom of all openings shall be no higher than one foot above grade.
- 3) Openings may be equipped with screens, louvers, valves, or other coverings or devices provided that they permit the automatic entry and exit of floodwaters.

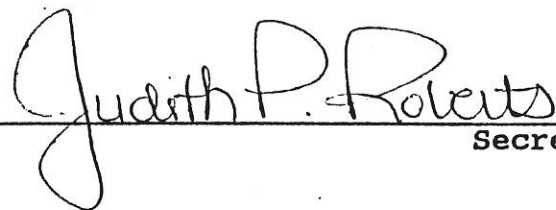
FOUR: ARTICLE V, Section 5.2 shall be amended by adding the following new paragraph 4) after paragraph 3) of the existing paragraph entitled Utility and Facility Requirement, said new paragraph 4) to read as follows:

- 4) On-site waste disposal systems shall be located to avoid impairment to them or contamination from them during flooding.

FIVE: The terms "mobile home" and "mobile home park", wherever they appear throughout Ordinance No. XVI, shall be deleted, and in lieu thereof there shall be inserted the terms "manufactured home" and "manufactured home park".

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage as provided by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Council of the Town of Camden, State of Delaware on the 6TH day of DECEMBER, A.D. 1993.

  
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Secretary